

FREE TRAINING FOR ADOPTIVE PARENTS

Ohio's New Adoption Records Law - Adult Adoptee Access

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Date: Thursday March 5, 2015 Time: 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Location: Post Adoption Services Expo (Sponsored by Tusc. Co. JFS)

Performing Arts Center at Kent State Tuscarawas

330 University Dr. SE

New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663

Learning Description:

Ohio adoption records law is changing. Due to the passage of SB 23 which was signed into law in December 2013, on March 20, 2015 400,000 Ohio adoptees will for the first time be allowed to request and receive their original birth certificates through the Ohio Department of Health. The agencies where these adoptions originated in 1964-1996 are already seeing a significant increase in requests for information from these previous clients.

Adoptive parents will gain a full understanding of Ohio's new adoption records law, including key dates, procedures and forms, and adoptee and birthparent options, rights and responsibilities. Two brief films about this new Adoption Records Law will be shown as part of this presentation.

Registration:

Please call Beth Kiggans at Tuscarawas County Job & Family Services at (330) 339-7791 Ext. 172 to register for this training.

Pre-registration by February 20, 2015 is required.